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Incidents/Articles of Note:

- Archdiocese Decries 'Vile Incident' Of Anti-Semitic Vandalism At George Washington University
- Statue Decapitated Outside Fargo Catholic Church
- Houses Of Worship See Vandalism, Violence As Hate Crimes Spike In U.S.
- Historic Church Building Damaged By Vandals In Warrick County, IN.
- FBI Takes Over Investigation Into Suspicious Package Found In Texarkana Church (AR)

- Tools and Resources -



Resource | First Responder's Toolbox

Threats Against Religious Facilities and Adherents Highlight Importance of Religious Community Outreach

This product raises awareness of potential threats to religiously affiliated facilities and groups regardless of type, sect, or denomination; provides examples of tactics used in attacks; and promotes best practices for engaging with religious communities.

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General Indicators of Theft Activity Targeting Houses of Worship

General Advance Indicators:

- Reports of stolen cash, checks, or other financial instruments;
- Surge in distraction thefts, such as: pickpocketing, quick change scams, or organized shoplifting;
- Reports or observation of small groups loitering on/near the premises of houses of worship;
- Visits by small groups with no prior ties to the house of worship, seeking a private audience or accompaniment in prayers for a sick loved one.

Indicators of Stolen Contributions

- Check found in a House of Worship's donations box or mailbox written out to other houses of worship;
- Surveillance, observation, or physical signs of tampering on house of worship's donations box or mailbox.

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